HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES—Tuesday, June 5, 2001

The House met at 2 p.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mrs. BIGGERT).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

Washington, DC,

June 5, 2001.

I hereby appoint the Honorable JUDY $\mbox{\sc Biggert}$ to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

J. DENNIS HASTERT, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER

The Chaplain, the Reverend Daniel P. Coughlin, offered the following prayer: Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel, from all eternity and forever.

Happy the man who cares for the poor and the lowly; the Lord will save him in time of trouble. The Lord protects him and gives him life, making him treasured throughout the land.

The Lord will help him even on his sickbed surrounding him with loving care. The Lord will keep him and preserve him until the Lord's full work is accomplished.

To be loved and respected from all corners shields the just man from his enemies. Because one found integrity, he is permitted to stand before the Lord forever.

It is friendship that merits loyalty; friends in their laughter gain perspective

In the loss of a dear colleague, Lord, this psalm comes to mind; This Chamber and this country, so blessed in John Joseph Moakley, finds voice:

Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel from all eternity and forever.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair has examined the Journal of the last day's proceedings and announces to the House her approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal stands approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Will the gentleman from California (Mr. GEORGE MILLER) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

OFFICE OF THE CLERK, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, Washington, DC, May 29, 2001.

Hon. J. Dennis Hastert,

The Speaker, House of Representatives, Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted to Clause 2(h) of Rule II of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Clerk received the following message from the Secretary of the Senate on May 26, 2001 at 1:45 p.m.

That the Senate passed without amendment H. Con. Res. 139.

That the Senate passed without amendment H. Con. Res. 146.

Appointments:

Advisory Committee on the Records of Congress

Parents Advisory Council on Youth Drug Abuse

Commission on Indian and Native Alaskan Health Care

Coordinating Council on Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention With best wishes, I am

Sincerely,

JEFF TRANDAHL, Clerk of the House.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

OFFICE OF THE CLERK, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, Washington, DC, June 4, 2001.

Hon. J. Dennis Hastert,

The Speaker, House of Representatives, Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted to Clause 2(h) of Rule II of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Clerk received the following message from the Secretary of the Senate on May 31, 2001 at 4:23 p.m.

That the Senate agreed to conference report H.R. 1836.

With best wishes, I am Sincerely,

JEFF TRANDAHL, Clerk of the House.

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER nited States of America, and to the Repub-

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 4 of rule I, the Speaker pro tempore signed the following enrolled bill on Friday, June 1, 2001:

H.R. 581, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture to use funds appropriated for wildland fire management in the Department of the Interior and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2001, to reimburse the United States Fish and Wildlife Service and the National Marine Fisheries Service to facilitate the interagency cooperation required under the Endangered Species Act of 1973 in connection with wildland fire management.

And the Speaker signed the following enrolled bill on Monday, June 4, 2001:

H.R. 1836, to provide for reconciliation pursuant to section 104 of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2002.

RESIGNATION FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following resignation from the House of Representatives:

CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES,

House of Representatives, $Washington, DC, May\ 25,\ 2001.$

Hon. Dennis Hastert, Speaker of the House,

Speaker of the House, The Capitol, Washington, DC.

DEAR SPEAKER HASTERT: I am writing to formally notify you that I will be retiring from my position as the United States Representative for Florida's First Congressional district, effective September 6, 2001. A similar letter has been sent to the Honorable Jeb

Bush, Governor of the State of Florida.

Sincerely,

JOE SCARBOROUGH,

Member of Congress.

CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, Washington, DC, May 25, 2001.

Hon. JEB BUSH, The Capitol,

Tallahassee, FL.

tives.

DEAR GOVERNOR BUSH: I am writing to inform you that I am irrevocably resigning my position as United States Representative for the First District of Florida, effective September 6, 2001. A similar letter has been sent to the Honorable J. Dennis Hastert, Speaker of the United States House of Representa-

I appreciate your friendship and the support you have shown Northwest Florida. Sincerely,

> Joe Scarborough, Member of Congress.